

House Resolution No. 4537

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to recognize young men who have excelled during their association with the Boy Scouts of America program with its emphasis on physical, mental, and spiritual growth; self-reliance; personal values; service to others; and an appreciation and understanding of the wonderful natural world; and

Whereas, Eric Dale Shupe of Troop 82 has successfully completed all of the stringent requirements for Scouting's highest advancement award, the rank of Eagle Scout, which will be bestowed upon him during an Eagle Court of Honor on December 5, 2004, at Buckner Restoration Branch Church; and

Whereas, attainment of the Eagle Scout rank is dependent upon the sequential completion of each of the Boy Scout steps of Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, and Life, and expected troop service, a requirement admirably fulfilled by Eric through the billets of Troop Guide, Instructor, Patrol Leader, Scribe, and Senior Patrol Leader; and

Whereas, diligent labors by Eric earned him the status of Tom Tom Beater in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say where he is known as Eldest Son of Charging Elk Wears Sparkling Stone, four Fifty-Miler awards, and thirty-three merit badges which are arrayed on his uniform sash as a visual illustration of the diverse skills and knowledge which he has acquired as a Boy Scout; and

Whereas, in keeping with Scouting practice, Eric applied the knowledge which he learned at troop meetings in many camping, hiking, and service activities, including seven sessions at H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation and Venture Crew travels; and

Whereas, Eric completed an Eagle Project which consisted of refurbishing the entrance sign for the Fire Prairie Creek Wetlands to serve as a capstone to his Scouting career and to stand as a constant reminder of his dedication to serving others, an admirable trait which justifies the esteemed role which Scouting plays in today's society:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the outstanding achievements realized by Eric Shupe during his seven-year-long sojourn with Scouting and to congratulate him for having the drive and energy necessary to attain the rank of Eagle; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for new Eagle Scout Eric Dale Shupe, son of Larry and Lisa Shupe of Independence, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Curt Dougherty
District No. 53

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4537, adopted November 29, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker